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These songs have "always been on my mind" and inspired my own songwriting.
They are the 'soundtrack of my life' and some of them stuck with me since my childhood.
I have developed my own voice listening to them and it is just
the right moment to reinterpret them my way. Enjoy!

1. LITTLE REBEL 3:20

COMPOSER/LYRICIST: ANDREW MATHESON, CASINO STEEL

This is a song that reminds me of my teenage years. I was a wild one.

Rune Arnesen: drums · **Eivind Aarset:** guitars
Jørn Øien: piano & organ · **Tor Egil Kreken:** bass

2. RED RIGHT HAND 4:01

COMPOSER/LYRICIST: MICHAEL JOHN HARVEY, NICHOLAS EDWARD CAVE, THOMAS WYDLER

Nick Cave is an incredible songwriter and performer. Singing his song brings me into new artistic corners, it is a really intense emotional journey, fun to play with but certainly not for the faint of heart.

Rune Arnesen: drums · **Eivind Aarset:** guitars & bass

3. BREAK MY HEART AGAIN 4:33

COMPOSER/LYRICIST: FINNEAS O'CONNELL

This is just an amazing song by a young and incredibly talented songwriter of a new generation. It took a while before I got comfortable with the lyrics singing the song myself. I never felt left by somebody and certainly not twice! But getting into different aspects and roles in life is what I like to do when I write my own songs, so doing the same thing here felt fantastic. I still don't wish to experience it for real though!

Eivind Aarset: guitars · **Jørn Øien:** piano · **Torjus Vierli:** keyboards
Rune Arnesen: drums · **Tor Egil Kreken:** bass

4. WHY 5:36

COMPOSER/LYRICIST: DAVE STEWART, ANNIE LENNOX

Annie Lennox, what a lady, what a voice. What a challenge to do this song by the goddess of pop music. I hope I did well. I like this song a lot.

Eivind Aarset: guitars · **Torjus Vierli**: piano & keyboards · **Rune Arnesen**: drums

5. VINCENT (STARRY STARRY NIGHT) 4:47

COMPOSER/LYRICIST: DON McLEAN

These lyrics are just magical. I can feel the brush of Vincent van Gogh and see him paint in the colours of my dreams when I close my eyes. This song transports so well how Van Gogh teaches us about beauty. It gives me shivers. It is a call to wake up and appreciate life.

Rune Arnesen: drums · **Eivind Aarset**: guitars
Jørn Øien: piano · **Tor Egil Kreken**: bass

6. HERE COMES THE FLOOD 5:25

COMPOSER/LYRICIST: PETER BRIAN GABRIEL

To me, Peter Gabriel stands out from the music world with such exceptional power... He always does things differently. I love it! He is so inspiring and encourages me to feel free to do what I want to do artistically. Here is one of his many great songs. It feels amazing to dress myself with this classic.

Rune Arnesen: drums · **Eivind Aarset**: guitars · **Torjus Vierli**: piano & keyboards

7. WE DON'T EAT 4:50

COMPOSER/LYRICIST: JAMES VINCENT McMORROW

I heard this song some years ago and it has been on every playlist of mine ever since. I love it!

Rune Arnesen: drums · **Eivind Aarset**: guitars
Jørn Øien: piano · **Torjus Vierli**: keyboards · **Tor Egil Kreken**: bass

8. LOUISIANA 1927 4:01

COMPOSER/LYRICIST: RANDY NEWMAN

Perhaps one of the oldest favorites of mine by the great Randy Newman. What a great storyteller he is, in words and music.

Rune Arnesen: drums · **Eivind Aarset**: guitars
Jørn Øien: piano & organ · **Tor Egil Kreken**: bass

9. LOVE HURTS 4:50

COMPOSER/LYRICIST: BOUDLEAUX BRYANT

How can an old simple song like this still be so touching. I am not so sure that real love hurts but I don't mind imagining it when I sing this song.

Rune Arnesen: drums · **Eivind Aarset**: guitars
Jørn Øien: piano & organ · **Tor Egil Kreken**: bass

10. WHERE TEARDROPS FALL 3:08

COMPOSER/LYRICIST: BOB DYLAN

One of the many Bob Dylan songs I have dreamed to sing.
I chose this one, this time.

Eivind Aarset: guitars · **Torjus Vierli:** piano & keyboards

11. WE ALL FALL IN LOVE SOMETIMES 4:00

COMPOSER/LYRICIST: BERNIE TAUPIN, ELTON JOHN

The more I sing this song, the more I fall in love with it.
I feel somehow so close to Elton John through the beauty of this song.
I feel his heart beat with mine.

Rune Arnesen: drums · **Jørn Øien:** piano · **Tor Egil Kreken:** bass

12. BRAND NEW ANGEL 4:08

COMPOSER/LYRICIST: GREGORY DANE BROWN

Watching movies is a great way for me to listen to music.
I get inspired to either pick up a song or write a new one.
Watching "Crazy Heart" and hearing the amazingly beautiful
voice of actor Jeff Bridges truly carried me away.

Rune Arnesen: drums · **Eivind Aarset:** guitars
Jørn Øien: piano & organ · **Tor Egil Kreken:** bass

13. (EVERYTHING I DO) I DO IT FOR YOU 4:27

COMPOSER/LYRICIST: BRYAN ADAMS, MICHAEL KAMEN, ROBERT JOHN LANGE

Bryan Adams broke all the hearts with this song, the theme song
to the movie "Robin Hood" in 1991. This is exactly a kind of ballad
I wanted to write. It is simply a great song.

Rune Arnesen: drums · **Eivind Aarset:** guitars
Jørn Øien: piano · **Tor Egil Kreken:** bass

14. YESTERDAY 3:29

COMPOSER/LYRICIST: JOHN LENNON, PAUL McCARTNEY

One of the most beautiful songs ever written and the least
likely song for me to ever record. I wanted to reach the core of the song
and recorded a very simplified version, just piano and me.

Jørn Øien: piano

15. IT MUST HAVE BEEN LOVE 5:23

COMPOSER/LYRICIST: PER HAKAN GESSLE

Little did I know about how much this song would mean to me
when Swedish pop duo Roxette conquered the world with it in 80s.
We stripped it down in the studio and marveled at
the melancholic and sore sweetness of it.

Jesper Nordenstrom: piano · **Eivind Aarset:** guitars

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